

HILL URGES HASTE IN RECLAMATION

Government Should Go Out of Business, Railroad Man Tells Secretary Lane.

CANADIAN WORK CHEAPER

Appeal Made for Relief for Montana Settlers—Newell Says Projects Near Boundary Are Delayed by Diplomacy.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—"Hurry up and complete the reclamation projects already under way, and be sure you have competent men in the field," was the advice James J. Hill, the railroad magnate, gave to Secretary Lane today at a reclamation hearing.

Mr. Hill based his statement as to the high cost of reclamation work on a report of the census bureau. Director Newell, of the Reclamation Service, and Senator Walsh, of Montana, questioned him about having personal knowledge of the Reclamation Service work.

"I never built an inch of irrigation works in my life," said Mr. Hill, "but I know that when private enterprises in Canada can sell the land and water reclamation projects in the United States at \$45 an acre, there is some difference in the cost."

Director Newell replied that the Government work was more permanent; that private enterprise was prone to take in too large an acreage; that he would expand further than the Government could work only eight hours a day and private enterprise 10.

Settlers Complain of Delay. "That is another reason why the Government should go out of the business," said Mr. Hill, "and added that he was 'burdened' with complaints by settlers on the Milk River and the St. Mary's project about the delay in completing the work to completion."

Mr. Hill concluded with an appeal for help for the settlers and praise for Montana as a land adaptable to reclamation projects.

"You might reduce your freight rates, that would be one way to help them," suggested Mr. Lane.

Movement Modestly Begun. "If we did so much further, we would have to ask for Government credit," replied Mr. Hill.

In the course of his testimony Mr. Hill said reclamation in the West "started in our office."

Three railroads subscribed \$5000 each and hired a fellow from California named Maxwell, a rapid typewriter, to educate the people about reclamation.

Mr. Hill said that after four years other things came in and before long we had the movement started.

POLITICAL SCHEME SEEN

Witness Says Farmers Suspect Motives of Harvester Trust Suit.

ST. PAUL, May 13.—That the farmers consider the Government suit for the dissolution of the International Harvester Company "just a political scheme to help get some of the offices," was the statement of Frederick R. Crane, in charge of the agricultural development work of the Great Northern Railway, who testified as a witness for the defense at the hearing here.

E. P. Grosvenor, of Government counsel, objected to the admission of the statement to the Senate, as no foundation had been laid to show that the witness had any knowledge of what the farmers think.

Mr. Crane, on cross-examination, declared that agricultural machinery had been improved from time to time, both before and after the International was organized.

POLICE TO BE CENSURED

Suffrage Parade Report, However, Will Not Ask Removals.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—Senator Jones was instructed today to draw a report of the investigation of charges of police negligence and incompetence in handling the suffrage parade here March 3. The report probably will be presented directly to the Senate after being submitted to the sub-committee, which looked into the charges.

Although the three Senators who conducted the inquiry refused today to make forecasts of the recommendations, it was generally believed at the Capitol that Superintendent of Police Sylvester and certain police officers and men would be censured, but that an attempt to have them removed from office was contemplated.

NIAGARA GIVES UP DEAD

Body Recovered Within Few Hours of Suicide of Unknown.

NIAGARA FALLS, May 12.—The body of an unidentified man was taken tonight from the Niagara River below the American falls. The only articles of clothing remaining were shoes and stockings and a black tie.

Less than an hour before the body was recovered, Constable Martin, of the state reservation, saw a man jump from the arch fence above Prospect Park. He was swept over the falls. It is believed his body was the one taken from the river.

If this is true, it is the first time a body has been recovered in less than two or three days, the falls ordinarily holding victims for that length of time.

BODY HIDDEN IN BARREL

Husband of Slain Woman Held on Daughter's Testimony.

MINOT, N. D., May 13.—As a result of the evidence before a coroner's jury of his 12-year-old daughter, John Staff, of Minot, was held today for the murder of his wife.

It is charged that he shot Mrs. Staff Sunday and concealed her body in a barrel.

Staff's daughter testified that her father and mother had quarreled Sunday and that her father frequently had threatened to kill her mother.

TWO VIEWS OF RAILROAD BUILDER, WHO CRITICISES GOVERNMENT RECLAMATION POLICY



LEFT—SNAPSHOT OF JAMES J. HILL, TAKEN ON HIS LAST VISIT TO PORTLAND. RIGHT—ANOTHER VIEW, PHOTOGRAPHED BY BAIN.

TRIBUNAL AT WORK

Pecuniary Claims With Britain Are Taken Up.

CASE A DAY IS PLANNED

Making of Clear Slate Declared One Good Way of Preparing for Celebration of Centenary of English-Speaking People.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—With Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador, and John Bassett Moore, counselor of the State Department, to represent the international tribunal for the arbitration of outstanding pecuniary claims between the United States and Great Britain, the members of the court paid their respects to President Wilson and Secretary Garrison.

Efforts will be made to settle one case a day, so that the large number of cases which are on the schedule are disposed of. As there are more than 300 cases on what is known as the "first schedule," cases which both governments have agreed shall be submitted to this judicial arbitration, it will take a year of working days to wipe the slate clean of this first list. By the time that is done a "second schedule" probably will be ready.

H. E. HUNTINGTON SUED

STEEL STOCKHOLDERS AVER TRUST WAS ABUSED.

Complaints Say Voting Trustee Fraudulently Concealed Condition of Company.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Henry E. Huntington, officer and director of 56 big corporations, many of them on the Pacific Coast, was sued today by former stockholders of the defunct National Steel & Wire Company, who charge that he abused their trust and neglected their interests in converting stock of this company into securities of the National Consolidated Wire & Cable Company. The plaintiffs, led by William James Anderson, of New York, demanded that Huntington make good their losses.

Huntington, the complaint says, as managing director of the National Steel & Wire Company, a Maine corporation with \$10,000,000 capital, induced the stockholders to make him their voting trustee and then, with Everett B. Webster, of Boston, the president of the company, now dead, fraudulently concealed from them the financial condition of the corporation until it went into the hands of a receiver in 1907. Subsequently Huntington and Webster organized the National Consolidated Wire & Cable Company, which took over the securities of the old corporation.

The plaintiffs ask that the conversion of their stock into securities of the National Consolidated Wire & Cable Company be set aside. Ogden Mills and Henry Munroe, who were voting trustees with Huntington, are made technical defendants.

WAGE REFERENDUM IS DUE

Spokane Labor Unions Have More Than Enough Signatures.

SPokane, Wash., May 13.—(Special.)—With nearly 30 petitions for a referendum vote on the city wage

1025 OFFICERS RETIRED

SENATE SEEKS TO EMPLOY MANY IN MINOR CAPACITY.

Secretary Garrison Compiling Records of Army Men in Answer to Dupont's Resolution.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Secretary Garrison sent to the Senate today his answer to Senator Dupont's resolution asking for the department's record of the number and employment both in civil and quasi-military life of all retired officers of the Army. No record of retired officers is employed in civil life, but Mr. Garrison announced that he had written to all officers and would lay the information before the Senate as soon as available.

In reply to the resolution the Secretary said that since January, 1908, 177 retired officers had applied for active service, and 197 had been detailed, there being no regulation or law to prevent such detail.

According to the department's figures there are 1025 officers on the Army retired list, including four Lieutenant-Generals, 23 Major-Generals and 229 Brigadier-Generals. The total pay of all such officers is placed at \$3,353,407.50.

The resolution was designed to find if it were not possible to employ many of the retired officers in work of minor character now done by those on the active list. Action on it probably will not be taken for several months, in view of Mr. Garrison's reply.

MRS. LONGSTREET AIDED

EX-UNION SOLDIER OFFERS JOB TO REBEL LEADER'S WIDOW.

Colonel Boone Tenders Position Paying \$3600 When Reappointment as Postmaster Is Denied.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Denied reappointment as postmaster at Gainesville, Ga., by the Democratic Administration, Mrs. Helen D. Longstreet, widow of the famous Confederate General, has received an offer of a position from a former Union soldier.

Longstreet said today that Colonel Albert B. Boone, of Clarkburg, W. Va., had offered her a place in his office at \$3600 a year. "If I find that I feel like to do the work in Colonel Boone's office," she said, "I shall accept his offer in the same spirit in which General Longstreet accepted a commission from President Grant when he found himself an outcast in the land whose battlefields he had followed with supreme devotion."

BRYAN SAYS PARTY PLEDGE IS SACRED

Time for Conscience to Be Active Declared to Be Before Election.

END OF "BOSS" IS SEEN

Secretary Tells Pennsylvania Legislature That Presidential Primary Will Prevail Before Next Election.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 12.—Secretary Bryan addressed the Pennsylvania Legislature this afternoon on the distinction between democracy and aristocracy.

He predicted that before another general election, the Presidential primary would be so general that there would be no need to hold National conventions and that Presidential nominees would be named not by party leaders or bosses, but by the people.

Secretary Bryan came here to speak at the Jefferson anniversary dinner of the Central Democratic Club of Harrisburg, and was invited to address the members of the Legislature. He told the lawmakers he desired to talk of fundamental ideas that are appropriate at this time.

Conscience Has Time Limit. "Jefferson a century ago spoke of two parties," he said, "One was the Democratic party and the other aristocratic party. The democratic party is that party which tries to bring the Government near the people and the aristocratic party is that which desires to restrain and obstruct popular government."

"It is important to know whether the legislative representatives are holding to the democratic idea or to the aristocratic idea. It is a settled principle of this country that a platform is binding on every man that runs on that platform. Some men violate that platform because they may not violate their conscience. No man should violate his conscience, but that does not mean that he should violate his party platform. It means that his conscience should begin to work before he is elected and not afterward. A man who violates a party platform and betrays his party and the people is a worse criminal than the man who embezzles money."

"Day of Boss" Is Gone. "The day of the boss is gone. The people will write their own platforms hereafter and send their own representatives to the legislative hall. I venture to say that we have seen the last of the great National conventions, I predict that before another Presidential election rolls around the Presidential primary will become so general that the Presidential candidates will be elected, not by the bosses or party leaders, but by the people."

Party Not "Rabble." Secretary Bryan was the first speaker at the dinner of the Democratic Club. "I am here tonight as the substitute for the President," he said.

"I was a Democrat, a Republican, who thought we lacked intelligence, who thought we belonged to the rabble. But we have a President who is more closely identified with the people than any President we have ever had," declared the Secretary.

Mr. Bryan said that President Wilson had shown the country that the Democratic party is not a party of panic. Referring to the factional quarrel in the Republican party, he said that the Democrats declared there is no need for a Progressive party.

"If the Progressive stand for principle," said Mr. Bryan, "they will stand with the Democratic party. If the Progressives feel they can help the country, they should help the Democratic party and not stand aside and antagonize it with their own party."

The tariff bill just passed by the House was declared the best in a generation. "I want to tell you Speaker Clark, Oscar Underwood and Mitchell Palmer have the best bill in a generation. It was written on the people's side and betrays the people well vindicated," said he.

In closing, Mr. Bryan said he was happy to see the things which he had long considered triumph at last and that everywhere reforms are moving on because back of them is the spirit of justice and democracy," he said.

DR. ABBOTT TO PRESIDE

Lake Mohonk Conference May Hear of Peace Society Incident.

MOHONK LAKE, N. Y., May 12.—A buzz of comment was caused tonight among the 300 delegates to the 19th annual Lake Mohonk conference on international arbitration, which will open here tomorrow, when it was announced that Dr. Lyman Abbott would be presiding officer at the first session.

It was reported that Dr. Abbott was removed from fellowship in the American Peace Society at the recent meeting of the society in New York. Dr. Abbott's address would deal with the recent incident.

A special memorial service to Dr. Albert K. Smith, founder of the conference, will be held tomorrow afternoon.

CLUB SECRETARY SHORT

A. W. Plues, of Chehalis, Disappears Leaving Note Behind.

CHEHALIS, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—A. W. Plues, who for the past

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Mr. Plues left here Saturday morning on a Great Northern train bound for Seattle. Friday afternoon President Judd, of the Citizens' Club, visited the office and began an investigation of the receipts and disbursements of our Seattle business, among other things, to collect the monthly dues of the members and these were supposed to be deposited promptly in our bank, whose cashier, W. S. Short, is treasurer of the club.

When President Judd found a discrepancy in Plues' April collections and the sum that had been deposited with Treasurer Short, Plues was much disconcerted and proceeded in a hasty attempt to explain.

The matter was left unsettled so far as the president's investigation was concerned. Plues that night went to his room at a private residence and packed all his belongings, possibly into letters, which were to be privately delivered next day and quit the town.

In one of the letters, Plues admitted that he had misappropriated the Citizens' Club collections, but stated that he didn't mean to do so, and had hoped to get squared up and never be found out. It has been determined how he spent the money, as he indulged in few expensive habits so far as known.

Plues came to Chehalis some four or five years ago with the railroad contracting firm of Winston Brothers & MacDougall, having been previously employed with the firm in Montana. Four months ago he was chosen secretary of the Citizens' Club to succeed E. R. Merrill, when the latter became secretary of the Northwest Washington Settlers' Agency. During his residence in Chehalis he had won the esteem and respect of people generally. Plues was of English birth and was said to be respected people. He was about 29 years of age, educated and made a good appearance on all occasions, although he was not extravagant in his dress and was a regular attendant at church.

GRANDEUR MADE COSTLY

RAILROADS TO DEMAND TWO DRAWING-ROOM FARES.

Traveling in State by Single Passenger Declared Unprofitable and Change Is Made.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—(Special.)—If any individual wants to travel in a Pullman car in a lonely drawing-room, although he is a member of the Pullman car, after July 1, he will have to pay two railroad fares.

The rules apply at present to the Overland Limited, the train de luxe of the Southern Pacific, and the California Limited, the Santa Fe's last word in passenger business. It is going to be the rule on every train west of the Mississippi, as soon as the Gould roads are in line, along with one or two others. There will be no change as to the right of a single passenger to a section in the Pullman without paying the railroad anything extra.

The roads in the agreement are: The Southern Pacific, the Santa Fe, the Union Pacific, the Burlington, the Northwestern, the St. Paul and the Rock Island. The railroad people do not see the justice of hauling one man in a drawing-room assigned for three and receiving nothing for the vacant space. Neither do they understand where there is any profit in pulling a compartment car over the tracks with a minimum of only one person in a compartment getting only the regular fare from some single occupant.

LUMBER COMPANY IS FINED

Listing Roofing Paper as Lumber Costs Concern \$500.

LOS ANGELES, May 12.—A fine of \$500 was imposed today by Federal Judge Wellborn on the L. W. Blinn Lumber Company, of Los Angeles, indicted for having reduced the compensation of a common carrier in shipment of lumber.

The lumber company pleaded guilty of having defrauded the Southern Pacific company by listing as lumber only a shipment which contained roofing paper, and which was sent from Los Angeles to Maricopa, Ariz. The rate on lumber shipments is 40 cents a hundred pounds, while that on roofing paper is \$1.55.



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CHURCH RID OF HORN

Baptist Association Revokes Preacher's Ordination.

SMALL CHURCHES WARNED

Unfortunate Experiences With Renegade Ministers Inspire Resolution Against Teachers of Strange Cults.

MORGAN HILL, Cal., May 12.—(Special.)—At its annual meeting here today, the San Jose Baptist Association, composed of 19 churches, between 200 and 300 members, revoked the ordination of Rev. Frank Horn, the exposure of whose matrimonial difficulties while he was pastor of the Richmond (Cal.) church created a sensation which stirred Baptist circles all over the state. The bare facts were given out to the press following the sessions of the delegates. Horn's Oregon record was not brought up.

During the session the association also took occasion to endorse the minority faction of the church at Los Gatos, which resigned from the church body of which Rev. Robert Whitaker is pastor when Whitaker's ideas on baptism and his Socialistic creeds were no longer acceptable to them. Whitaker was a candidate for Congress from the Eighth district at the last election on the Socialist ticket, and is widely known for his unorthodox beliefs.

The scandal in connection with the elopement of Rev. F. A. S. Jensen, formerly pastor of the church at Morgan Hill, with the wife of a rancher was discussed and Jensen's resignation was accepted. In view of the experience of several California congregations with renegade ministers, resolutions were adopted warning small churches against

AX CUTS NECK ARTERY

CENTRALIA, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—Shipping and falling while walking downhill at the Hammond Lumber Company's camp at Oak Point, Joe Farrington was struck by an ax which was carrying on his shoulder. The bit cut the back of his neck and head, severing the arteries and causing a wound six inches long, from which he almost died before medical aid reached him.

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